

The HUB

The Official Newsletter of American Fork City

Winter is Here!

What You Need to Know About Snow Removal



American Fork City strives to provide timely, efficient and cost effective snow and ice removal on its roadways. Each storm or weather event produces different variables which affect how we respond with our snow removal equipment. Here are some things you need to know about American Fork City's snow removal policies and procedures:

- In accordance with City ordinance, no parking is permitted on City streets from Nov. 1st to Mar 31st when a measurable amount of snow has fallen and the street has not been plowed since the snow fell.
- Street plowing priority is based on the roads classification and usage intensity.
- City ordinance prohibits snow or ice removed from private property from being deposited in the public right-of-way. This means don't push snow from your driveway into the street.

Citizens Want to Know!

For a more in-depth look into how American Fork City handles snow removal, including plowing priority, salt usage, city ordinances, and more, take a look at the latest Citizens Want to Know article on snow removal.

Visit americanfork.gov to read the article.

- Salt is only used at intersections, on hills, in school zones or limited areas where deemed necessary.
- In subdivisions and cul-de-sacs, our plows focus on keeping a travel lane in each direction passable.

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Office Numbers

Administration	801-763-3000
Public Works.....	801-763-3060
Library	801-763-3070
Fitness Center.....	801-763-3080
Senior Center	801-763-3090

Non-Emergency

Police	801-763-3020
Fire & Rescue.....	801-763-3045

On-Call / After-Hour

Water/Pressurized	801-404-1253
Sewer/Storm Drain	801-404-7167
Streets	801-404-1255
Garbage	801-924-8500
Street Lights	801-814-4311



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From the Mayor's Desk

Happy New Year to everyone! 2020 tested each of us and our community in ways we've never experienced, and I can safely say that I've never been happier ushering in a new year.

2020 was tough, no doubt. Everyone was affected in some way by the numerous challenges that were presented to us, and though many difficult times are behind us, many still await. But despite the baggage we're carrying with us into 2021, I can't help but feeling optimistic.

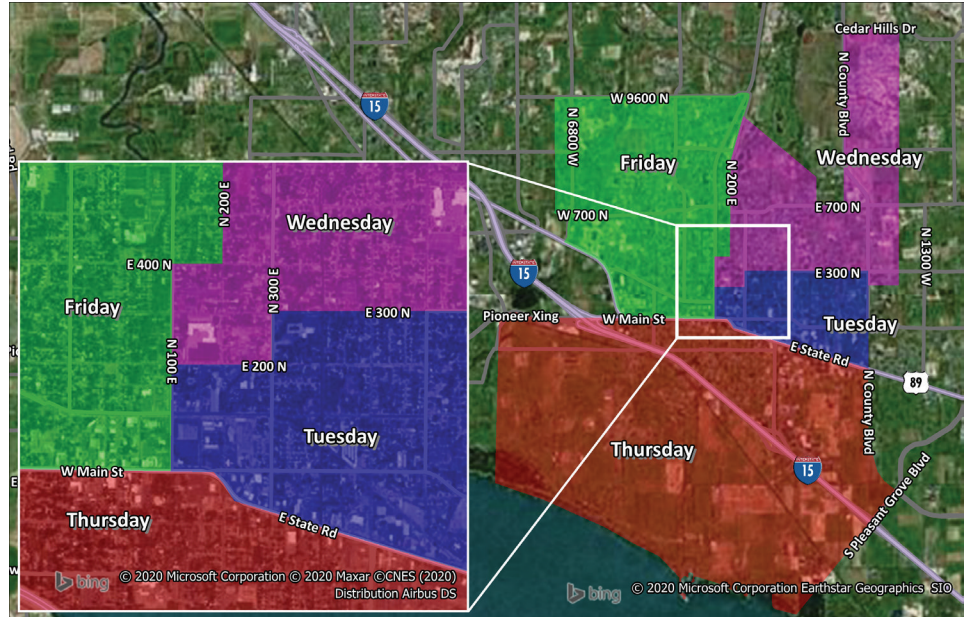
I'm optimistic because I watched our community come together and meet these new challenges with creativity, kindness, and diligence. I'm optimistic because I saw friends, family, and strangers taking steps to protect the health and safety of others. I'm optimistic because of the ingenuity I witnessed from city officials to ensure our senior citizens received meals safely. Ingenuity that provided access to educational resources for students, a virtual space for families to grieve the loss of a loved one or to celebrate a marriage, and the many ways our city employees adapted to maintain the important services our citizens depend on.

As we usher in 2021, let's continue working together in the innovative ways that helped get us through the last year. There is a light at the end of the tunnel, and because of the strong community that makes American Fork City great, I'm confident we'll reach that light.

American Fork City 2021 Garbage and Recycling Schedule Changes

Effective February 16 Republic Services will be moving trash and recycle pick up to "zones" throughout the City. The specific weekday your trash and recycling is picked up will depend on where you live in the city. This also

means recycle pick up will now be the same day as your trash pick up. Please inserted schedule and map below for your pick up dates. You can also visit americanfork.gov for more information.



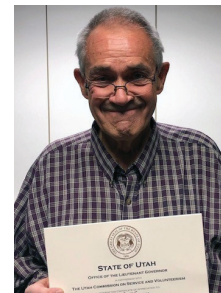
AF Learning Center Volunteers Receive Recognition from Lieutenant Governor

The Learning Center would like to take the opportunity to thank all the volunteers who have helped to make our year a successful one. This past year there has been a tremendous need to tutor young students who were navigating new ways to learn. We have been able to offer virtual and in-person appointments. We have received 3409 visits from students and 2118 hours of volunteer service.

It is with great pleasure that we announce that four of our long-term volunteers have been nominated and received the Lieutenant Governor's Volunteer Recognition certificate: Sandra Bell, Cassie Walker, Camille Stone, and Robert Sheen.

These tutors have given between 2 ½ - 4 ½ years of service. They have been dependable and caring, tutoring over 30 students each. Their work is valued and appreciated. The Learning Center tutoring benefits many families in our community and would not be available if it were not for the wonderful volunteers like these.

We have had high schoolers, retired people, college students and missionaries serve with us. We are planning our Session #3 for January



Robert Sheen



Camille Stone



Cassie Walker



Sandra Bell

4- February 25, 2021. If you are interested in volunteering or have children who could benefit from a little extra help, please contact the Learning Center at **801-492-3593**.

Talk Shop With a Cop

Collaboration Between the Police and the Community



Community Policing is intended to be a collaboration between the police and the community. The safety of our communities and our community's quality of life was never intended to be solely the responsibility of government, and all members of the community become active allies in the effort to enhance the safety and quality of neighborhoods.

Community policing has far-reaching implications. The expanded outlook on crime control and prevention, the emphasis on making community members active participants in the process of problem-solving, and the patrol officers' pivotal role in community policing require continual improvements within the police organization and its relationship with the community.

Over the past couple of decades, as many in society have gotten caught up in their busy lives, they have become less willing to get involved in the safety of our communities. Neighborhood Watch programs used to be commonplace as citizens took an active role in the safety of their families and neighbors. Today most of these programs are no longer active. Sir Robert Peel, who formed the first police department in England, outlined that "Police, at all times, should maintain a relationship with the public that gives reality to the historic tradition that the police are the public and the public are the police; the police being the only members of the public

who are paid to give full-time attention to duties which are incumbent on every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence."

Members of the community are a valuable component in community safety. The police department needs the citizens to help be the eyes and ears in their neighborhoods. If you see something or someone who is suspicious and out of place, call dispatch and report it. If you are aware of someone who is planning to commit a violent act, call and talk to an officer.

There are opportunities to volunteer your time within the police department. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, contact our community policing officer and discuss opportunities.

As a police department, we would like to thank the members of our community that support us and help us in our day to day responsibilities. Thank you for all you do. We hope you have a Happy Holiday Season.

You are encouraged to contact the police department if you have any questions; e-mails may be sent to policetalkshop@americanfork.gov or alunt@americanfork.gov. Depending on the number and type of questions received, your question may be answered via the city newsletter, e-mail, or phone call.

Christmas Tree Dropoff

Republic Services will be offering free dumpsters exclusively for disposing of Christmas trees. These dumpsters will be located at the City's salt dome lot on 240 E 200 N after Christmas through January. The dumpsters will be accessible Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m.—6 p.m. Only undecorated, real trees without lights, tinsel, flocking or attached stands will be accepted. Curbside tree pickup will not be available this year.



Free Help for COVID-19 Related Stress

If you or someone you know is experiencing stress, anxiety or depression because COVID-19, The Utah Strong Recovery Project offers crisis counselors seven days a week, 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. All information is confidential and free of charge.

Services include emotional support, crisis counseling, coping strategies, mental health education, referrals if more help is needed.

**Please call or text
385-386-2289**

**For immediate
response after
hours, call:**

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

IT'S TIME TO CLEAN UP YOUR FLUSHING HABITS



DID YOU KNOW
that “flushable” wipes
aren’t so flushable?

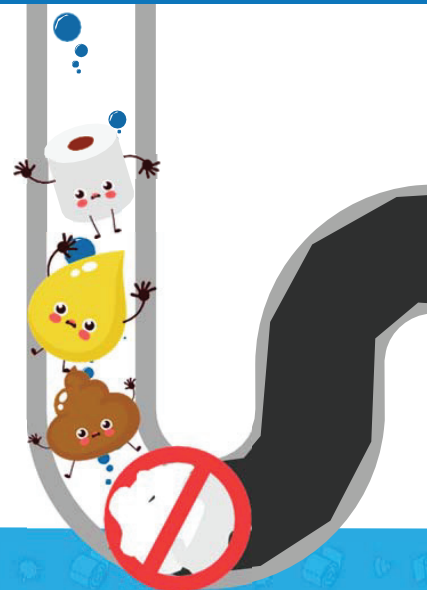
WAIT...WHAT?

Yes, it's true. Those soft and durable moisturized wipes that are oh so convenient and leave you feeling clean and fresh are wreaking havoc on our sewer systems in Utah and across the nation.

Every year, Utah homeowners and our public sewer systems spend millions of dollars unclogging pipes and repairing damage caused by back-ups resulting from people flushing baby wipes and other wipes marketed as “flushable.”

Unlike traditional toilet paper, the material used to manufacture these durable, “flushable” wipes does not easily break down in water. Wipes end up tangled together in sewer pipes, resulting in blockages. These blockages create significant and costly problems for both residents and public sewer systems.

Wipes, diapers and feminine hygiene products should be disposed of in a trash can, not a toilet.



— 3P RULE —

**ONLY THREE
THINGS
BELONG IN
THE TOILET**
Poo, Pee, Paper

KEEP YOUR FLUSH PURE – FOLLOW THE 3P RULE.

WORKING TOGETHER, WE CAN KEEP THE WASTEWATER FLOW RUNNING SMOOTHLY.

WASATCH FRONT WATER QUALITY COUNCIL | The Wasatch Front Water Quality Council, a group of industry leaders and professionals that represents water reclamation facilities across the Wasatch Front, is trying to educate the public about the problems of putting “flushable” wipes down the drain. These facilities provide critical and reliable services that keep our cities and communities safe and healthy.

Timpanogos Special Service District is a proud member of the **Wasatch Front Water Quality Council**.

